## Prospect Street United Methodist Church 185 S. Prospect Street, Marion, OH 43302 740-382-6069 Pastor, Joshua Freshour

Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 8:30 a.m.



## Mission Statement:

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## 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Joshua Freshour, Pastor

\*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

WELCOME Pastor Josh Freshour

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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\*PRAISE SONGS

"Cornerstone"
"Breathe"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup> And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup> Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

**MESSAGE** 

"I Will Find You"

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

\*CLOSING SONG

"I Could Sing of Your Love Forever"

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"God Be With You"

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you;

God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, God be with you till we meet,

Greeters: Pete & Judy Stambazze

Next Sunday Scripture: Ephesians 3:14-21 & Sermon Title: "Are We Asking Too Little of God?"

The clear candle burning on our altar signifies our appreciation for the men and women serving our country during this time of national concern.

**Summer Concerts** presents "Marion Area Orchestra and Quintessence String Quintet" in McKinley Park **today** at 7 p.m.

**New Directory** - We will begin sign-up for photo sessions for the 2024 Photo Directory between services **today through September 22**. We are scheduling for Thursday, September 26, Friday, September 27, and Saturday, September 28. We will add Monday, September 30, if we need additional appointments. See you then!

Dianna Eckle will be in the office Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Katherine Griffith will be in the office Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. till Erika returns.

**Book Study** – Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. and Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the Upper Room.

The Leadership Team will meet again on Thursday, July 25, at 5 p.m. in the Upper Room.

**Free Community Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday**, **July 27**, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. This community outreach is sponsored by the Men's Prayer Breakfast group and the S.K.I. Group. This breakfast is free and open to all (donations will be accepted). If you have questions, please contact Bill Bess at 740-360-3965. Hope to see you there.

Noisy Collection will be on Sunday, July 28, for Mobile Meals.

We will collect for the **Salvation Army Food Pantry** on **Sunday, July 28**. Suggested donations: **Kool-Aid and other dry drink beverage.** They are also in need of paper products and feminine products. Put your donations in the shopping cart in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!

**Open House** to honor Bonnie Castle on her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. All are welcome to come to the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday**, **July 28**, after the second service.

The United Women In Faith Executive Board will meet Monday, July 29, at 2 p.m.

**Laundry Love Ministry** will be **Monday, July 29,** at 4:30 p.m. at the Southtown Cleaning Village, 355 S. Main Street in Marion. If you would like to help, please contact the office.

There will be a **Directory Organizational Meeting** on **Monday, July 29**, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

Please mark your calendars for Friday, August 2! This event has always been a whole church family effort. The UWIF will be counting on you for at least 12 sheet/layer cakes, 32 pies, 20 food line workers, 6 cooks, 15 set up/tear down workers, and 4 guest helpers. Come and enjoy the kinship and comradery of the Ice Cream Social on Friday, August 2, from 4:30 – 7 p.m. Sign-up sheets are in the atrium. Flyers are available on the publications table in the sanctuary. Plan to bring your family to dine that evening.

We will continue the annual tradition of **Rally Sunday**, **August 11**, by celebrating Christian Education, with an emphasis on children's education and ministry. This celebration will take place during both the 8:30 and 10:30 worship services. During the worship, we will be blessing backpacks for the upcoming school year, we will be dedicating Bibles to fourth graders, and we will have special prayer over all teachers and educators that they might have a successful upcoming school year.

**Marion's Farmer Market** will be using our Parking Lot every Thursday until **October 17**, from 4 – 7 p.m. (except Popcorn Festival). We will have a table handing out information on the church and events. If you would like to participate or even have items for sale, please email Marci DeWitt at mdewitt@dreamvacations.com.

**God's Taxi** - If you know anyone that needs transportation to and from church, please call Erika at the church or Bill Bess 740-360-3965. We need more drivers, please see Bill.

**Peanut Butter and Jelly Food Drive** - If you would like to continue supporting this mission, please drop off your donations in the Church kitchen.

The **New Beginning Sunday School Class** will begin a three-month or so study of Paul's epistles (letters) to the Galatians and the Ephesians. If you're not currently in a Sunday School class and have been wanting to learn more about what the Bible actually says, I invite you to give us a try. We study directly from the Bible and review the prior lesson each week so if you decide to try us out you won't feel lost. The Class is located in the basement right off the elevator. Dave McCartney

**Memorial Pavers** can be ordered for summer installation. If you would like to purchase a paver for the Memorial Park, forms are available on the library table located in the south alcove. Cost of a paver is \$75.00. Order forms can be turned in to the office.

**Upper Rooms** devotional booklets for July/August 2024 are on the library table in the south alcove. Small - \$1.00 Large - \$1.50

**E-Tithing** is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. Contact the church office for more information!

**Service DVD's for Shut-Ins!** We have DVD's available of our 10:30 a.m. worship service for anyone who would like to borrow or have a copy. We are delivering DVD Players and the DVD's on Monday mornings! Call Erika in the office for information.

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